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NEW CW STATION PLANNED

A regular meeting of CPRA was held on October 20, 1950, at the V.F.W. Hall, North Long Beach.

The meeting was opened by President Calvert, with introductions of the guests present. He immediately went into the business at hand, the first being a request by the City of Corona for a frequency change from 45.26 megacycles to 45.34 megacycles to accommodate the association in the matter of a state wide point-to-point system. This was granted.

The following clearances were also granted: City of Palm Springs, 155.31; City of Taft, 158.85 (for handy talkies); County of Kings, 45.26 (for point-to-point); County of Kings, 45.74; County of Tulare, 45.82 (for mutual aid); County of Ventura, 159.15.

Fred Crowder, Chairman of the Frequency Allocations Committee, presented the plans that the State is proposing to open a new CW station in Los Angeles. He stated that he felt

that, inasmuch as the police department of the City of Los Angeles had been handling this service from this area for many years, that the station should be built somewhere in Northern California, where it was more needed. A motion was made and seconded for him to write to Mr. Peterson of the State Board, calling his attention to these facts.

Fred Crowder then gave a complete report on the National Conference held at Cleveland, Ohio. Bill Whiting, past president of the national association, then added to this report at length.

At this time, the meeting adjourned for lunch, which consisted of a delicious menu of shrimp. After the repast, the meeting again was called to order and the business of the National Directory and our forthcoming incorporation were discussed and progressed toward completion.

The meeting was then adjourned.

HARVEY W. ZIEGLER, Sec'y

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Illinois Chapter

ALLOCATION MAPS AVAILABLE

The regular monthly meeting of the Illinois Chapter, APCO, was held on October 26th at the Old Prague Inn, in Cicero. James Spevacek of the Cicero PD was host.

President Harry Quandt called the business meeting to order at 9:00 p.m. The Secretary read the minutes of the last meeting and they were accepted as read.

The question of the various types of traffic being handled on the area broadcast frequency, 155.37 mc, was brought up by President Quandt and there was considerable discussion regarding this problem among the members.

Ero Erickson made a motion that the Secretary-Treasurer mail copies of the new frequency allocation maps for Illinois and the Chicago area to the interested members. This was seconded

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Dispatchers' Dilemma

The unsung hero, the forgotten man, or the just plain goat. No matter which name applies he is still the police radio dispatcher.

Where else can we find wrapped up in one parcel a Mr. Anthony, a diplomat or a darn good map reader. More and more he is getting to the position of one of the main cogs in law enforcement

agencies.

The *Bulletin* thanks that good APCO member Arthur H. Thomas, technician for the Riverside County, California, Sheriff Dept. for his sincere and yet humorous picturization of the life of a Dispatcher.

We first find our "hero" relaxing in his position, just as he always is when the Boss or visitors drop by. It doesn't last long, though — as soon as the Brass leaves everything breaks loose. The phone is ringing, the girl has urgent dispatches to get out and the radio technician spots some trouble in the transmitters. Our dispatcher is equal

to the task. Doesn't he have two hands, two eyes, two ears, two legs, two heads? Oh, no! Yes, he does get everything back to normal, mechanical trouble cleared, messages dispatched, phones answered. But, what is normal? Why, just what we went through.

The Boss suddenly appears again — he has forgotten to pick up yesterday's activity report. Dispatcher is back to his "normal" position as in picture No. 1. "Humpff!" says the Boss.

Our cast was Dispatcher John Hanniford, Technician Homer Beale and the girl Mrs. Ruby Hunt, all of the Riverside, California, Sheriff Dept.

